

Dear Ms. Monroe,

Regarding SEC Docket #2016-01, as a resident of Merrimack, NH I would like to respectfully request that the deadline for submissions be extended beyond today, February 29, 2016.

I request a public hearing regarding these proposed rules before adoption. This would allow citizens of New Hampshire sufficient opportunity to contribute to this rule making process as we are the ones who are affected by these decisions.

The current Rule 300 standards provide a framework for regulation of typical projects such as wind farms, but they fall vastly short when considering a project of the scope, magnitude and potential impacts of high pressure gas pipelines like NED and the associated infrastructure associated with it, such as compressor stations, pigging stations, metering stations, take stations, and valves. No single category of infrastructure poses the possible risks to health, safety, water, air quality, wildlife, environment, property, culture and tourism, as that form of development presented by gas pipelines. The risks to health, water, land, etc are phenomenal. I am very concerned that any rules regarding the assessment of these kinds of projects include not only an Environmental Impact Assessment, but a Comprehensive Health Impact Assessment as well.

I ask that you carefully consider the recommendations and comments provided by the Mason Pipeline Committee.

I understand that the SEC bears the heavy burden of responsibility for regulating the shape of New Hampshire's energy landscape for future generations. I ask that you permit time for proper consideration and input.

Respectfully,

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